John Campbell, California's 48th districts Congressman has been added as a co-sponsor to Barney Franks H.R.2267, the Internet Gambling Regulation, Consumer Protection and Enforcement Act, giving more momentum and hope to gamblers across the US that legalization of online gaming in the US may not be far off. On July 28th,

Campbell signed on which is the same day that the bill successfully passed through the House Finance Committee on its way to the House of Energy and Commerce and the House Judiciary Committee. These two committees have not acted or set a date as to when they will debate this bill and with other important issues being dealt with at this time like the health care and unemployment, it may be some time before H.R.2267 is acted on.

When Barney Frank first introduced this bill it was hard to find any support, it took almost 2 years to get even 20 representatives on board, but now with **Campbell** signing on the list of congress supporters has grown to 70. To get the bill passed it needs the majority of the House of Representatives, which totals 148 votes, so we are almost half way there! As more and more Congressmen sign on and begin to back H.R.2267 the future of online gaming in the US is starting to look brighter and brighter. This bill does not include online sports betting which is and always has been illegal in the US.